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Sir:

The citations listed in the enclosed Information Disclosure Form PTO-1449 may be material to the examination of the above-identified patent application. Applicant submits these documents in compliance with the duty of disclosure as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97. The Examiner is requested to make these citations of official record in the present application.

Please note that the English abstract of publication WO 91/16422 states that the publication, which is not in English, relates to alkaline bacillus lipases.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before receipt of a first Office Action on the merits. Therefore, no fee is believed due. However, if a fee is

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